

Decoding long-duration GW from BNS with machine learning: Parameter estimation and equations of state

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BNS challenges in 3G



- BNS signals can last for hours in 3G detectors (starting from 5Hz)
- We are expecting >200k BNS events per year in 3G era
- How challenging?
 - A dedicated ROQ-based parameter estimation (PE) cost 1600 CPU hours (PRL. 127 2021 8, 081102), not including the Earth rotation effects
 - Inferring equation of state (EOS) also involves stochastic sampling, which takes O(1)-O(10) hours
- What is the cost? Optimistically assuming 1000 CPU hours to process each event (PE+EOS) and 150W CPU power, the 200k BNS will cost (per analysis run)
 - 200 million CPU hours
 - 30 GWh of electricity
 - 4.8 million USD in electricity charges

Machine learning based pipeline $\bigcup_{f \in Glasgow}$ University





Normalizing flow



• Learn an invertible and differentiable transformation between a target distribution and a Gaussian distribution $p(target) \leftrightarrow p(Gaussian)$



• Can be conditioned on data: learning $p(target|data) \leftrightarrow p(Gaussian|data)$



 During inference, samples can be easily drawn from the Gaussian distribution and mapped to data space -> samples of GW parameters

Example parameter estimation

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- 1.7+1.6 solar mass at 2500 Mpc, SNR=40
- Takes ~0.3s to generate 5000 samples
- Can constrain source parameters
- Can model degeneracy between parameters
- Crosscheck: models with different embedding layers give consistent results



Model validation



- Full PE is prohibitively slow, so we assess our PE models by precision and accuracy
- Precision: compared with Fisher matrix and SealGW (a fast localization algorithm – check out my poster!)
- Accuracy: p-p plot



Inferring equations of state



- Posterior samples from PE can be used to infer EOS of neutron stars
- EOS: relation between pressure and density of neutron star matter without GW it is hard to probe into the dense core!
- We infer the compressed expression of the EOS based on GW PE samples using normalizing flows!



Example EOS constraint



- Simulated two BNS with same underlying EOS but different SNRs: 39 and 390
- We can obtain EOS constraint within 1s!
- High SNR gives tighter constraint as expected



Reduced cost



- Before: **Optimistically** assuming 1000 CPU hours to process each event (PE+EOS) and 150W CPU power, the 200k BNS will cost (per analysis run)
 - 30 GWh of electricity, 4.8 million USD in electricity charges
- What is the cost now? Assuming 1s sampling time and 1min pre- and postprocessing CPU time for PE+EOS analysis per event. Assume 500 models are needed to cover the entire parameter space each taking 2 weeks training
 - Inference: 508 kWh, costing approximately 81 USD
 - Training: 25.2 MWh and 4k USD
 - Total: 25.7 MWh and 4.1k USD
 - Less than 1/1000 of the original cost!

Summary



- Normalizing flow based analysis pipeline for full PE (precession and earth rotation included) and EOS inference for long BNS signals in 3G
- Validated against Fisher matrix and SealGW because full PE is too expensive
- Energy cost: less than 1/1000 of traditional method for expected 3G catalog



GW data compression



Preprocessing

- 5Hz-1024Hz band, 1.1+1.1Msun -> 12 million data points
- Multibanding:
 - You don't need high sampling rate in low frequency band
 - Adaptively choosing frequency resolution: 12 million -> 6000
- Heterodyning (relative binning)
 - BNS waveform in frequency domain is highly oscillatory





GW data compression



Compression: linear and non-linear

- After multibanding and heterodyning, GW data is short and (relatively) smooth
- We use singular value decomposition (SVD) to extract the linear projections of the data: 6000->128
- We use neural networks to combine different data streams (1 triangular ET + 2 CEs) and compress them: 128*5*2 (data is complex) -> 128 real numbers
 - Residual network of multi-layer perceptron (MLPResNet)
 - Vision Transformer (ViT)



Training



- Training set should be a comprehensive representation of the parameter space, similar to a template bank generation
 - Challenging in high SNR case, low masses, and high dimensions We meet all three factors!
 - Large training set is required
- We restrict our prior to reduce training set
 - Low SNR model (SNR 20-50), chirp mass 2-2.1 solar masses in detector frame, isotropic spin, magnitude < 0.05, random simulating extrinsic parameters during training -> 64 million intrinsic parameters needed
 - High SNR model (SNR 200-500), chirp mass 1.3-1.31 solar masses in detector frame, same settings for other parameters -> 100 million intrinsic parameters needed
- Training takes 2-3 weeks on a large GPU

Prior conditioning



- The chirp mass for heterodyning is unknown during inference
- Following DINGO-BNS, we train our model to adapt to small inaccuracies in the chirp mass used for heterodyning
- During inference, we can divide chirp mass space into several segments and perform PE for each. Then choose the one with the maximum likelihood

The Earth rotation effects



- Earth rotation -> changes in response functions of GW detectors
- Encodes information of source location
- For long signals, the Earth rotation's effects need to be considered



3G PE cost

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In prep



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EOS training data



- The EOS for training is sourced from CUTER (Davis+ 2024), which consists of a meta-model and piecewise polytrope structure
- We sample polytrope parameters to generate EOS, for each EOS we solve TOV equation to generate source parameters (masses and Lambdas).
- The source parameters and compressed EOS are used to train the flow model
- During inference, the flow simply takes the source parameters from PE and generate compressed EOS